

## Education & Development

### Courts Talking Genetics

In the last few years, many changes have occurred in the field of genetics, including the mapping of the human genome, the entrance of genetically modified foods into the marketplace, and the introduction of bioremediation in toxic cleanup.

To help judges keep up, the Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) will present a three-day conference on genetics and the courts November 6-9 in Lake Tahoe. The conference will provide jurists with the science education necessary to deal with the cases that have begun to emerge in both state and federal courts because of the recent advances in genetics.

Scientists and judicial advisors from the United States and Canada will address participants and facilitate small-group discussions on bioremediation, gene therapy, and bioterrorism. Additional workshops will include "Genetics and Food," "Stem Cell Research," "DNA Testing Technologies and Forensics," and "Reproductive Rights: Property and Constitutional Issues."

The conference is sponsored by the California State-Federal Judicial Council and is partially funded by a grant from the Einstein Institute for Science, Health and the Courts.

● For more information, contact Rod Cathcart, CJER, 415-865-7834; e-mail: [rod.cathcart@jud.ca.gov](mailto:rod.cathcart@jud.ca.gov). To register for the conference online, visit [www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/cjer/](http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/cjer/).

### HR Services in Spotlight at Statewide Conference

Labor relations, workers' compensation, recruitment, and disability management are just a few of the topics that participants will explore at this year's second annual California Judicial Branch Human Resources Conference.

The conference, "HR ... Under Construction," will host human resources (HR) professionals from courts around the state and give them a chance to share their experiences, including both successes and challenges. The conference will take place October 9-10 at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Universal City.

Speakers and workshops will highlight issues such as succession planning, emerging trends in employment law, and HR technology. Both basic and advanced workshops will be offered.

The conference will feature a knowledge fair where courts can network and share their best

practices. There will be an exhibitor area where the courts can set up displays about their successful HR programs.

● For more information, contact Hazel Ann Reimche, 415-865-4263; e-mail: [hazel.ann.reimche@jud.ca.gov](mailto:hazel.ann.reimche@jud.ca.gov), or Vanessa Wilcox, 415-865-4276; e-mail: [vanessa.wilcox@jud.ca.gov](mailto:vanessa.wilcox@jud.ca.gov).

## RESOURCES

### Insight Into National Legislation

The National Center for State Courts (NCSC) recently released a guide to national legislation and programs affecting state courts.

The *National Affairs Briefing Book* summarizes these bills and programs, updates their status, and provides resources for further information. The briefing book covers topics such as child support enforcement, child welfare, class actions, criminal justice, DNA testing, domestic violence, drug courts, mental health courts, federal takings, intercountry adoption, juvenile justice, public access to records, and rules of ethics.

● For more information or to view the briefing book, visit the NCSC's Web site at [www.ncsc.org](http://www.ncsc.org).

### Community Corrections Books Available

The Center for Community Corrections is offering a series of free publications that address aspects of community supervision and correction services.

The center is a national non-profit agency that promotes community-based sanctions by providing technical assistance, research, and information to public officials, academics, and criminal justice professionals. It undertakes projects that improve communication and cooperation at all levels of government and justice agencies.

The center's many publications include *An Overview for Elected Officials*, which highlights the history, operations, effectiveness, costs, and public perceptions of community corrections; *Community Corrections: A Call for Punishments That Make Sense*, which discusses the results that can be achieved with community corrections programs; and *Demystifying Community Corrections: Educating the Public*, which offers tips on explaining community corrections to the public.

● For more information or to order copies of these publications, call 202-778-0770 or visit the center's Web site at [www.communitycorrectionsworks.org](http://www.communitycorrectionsworks.org). ■



### Retired Judges Need MCLE Credits

The State Bar of California is reminding retired judges that they no longer receive an exemption from MCLE (Minimum Continuing Legal Education). Active members of the State Bar whose last names begin with *H* through *M* need to report compliance with MCLE by February 1, 2003. For more information, visit the State Bar's Web site at [www.calbar.ca.gov](http://www.calbar.ca.gov) or contact its Office of Certification at [certification@calbar.ca.gov](mailto:certification@calbar.ca.gov).

## Court Briefs

### Court Interpreter Recruitment Campaign Spurs Inquiries

Visits to a court interpreter Web site doubled (from 2,000 to 4,000) and phone inquiries quadrupled (from 25 to 100 calls per day) as a result of the Administrative Office of the Courts' (AOC) latest campaign to recruit interpreters.

Launched in June with the theme "One law, many languages," the statewide campaign enlisted the increasingly influential multilingual ethnic media to help recruit court interpreters. This summer the AOC placed advertisements on becoming a court interpreter in ethnic publications; held briefing sessions with publishers and broadcasters of ethnic news to discuss the most effective ways of communicating the need for court interpreters to their audiences; arranged interviews between reporters and interpreters; trans-

lated public service announcements into six languages for ethnic broadcasters; and distributed posters with the recruitment information to ethnic civic groups, places of worship, neighborhood retail shops, legal and social aid

societies, and other community organizations.

To carry out this statewide effort, the AOC collaborated with New California Media, an editorial and marketing association of more than 400 ethnic media.

● For more information, contact Shireen Advani, AOC Human Resources Division, 415-865-7606; e-mail: [shireen.advani@jud.ca.gov](mailto:shireen.advani@jud.ca.gov).



### Appellate Court First to Implement New Mediator Ethics Rules

In August the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District (San Francisco), became the first California court to implement new ethics rules for mediators in court-connected mediation programs for civil cases.

Rules 1620-1620.9 of the California Rules of Court were adopted by the Judicial Council last April and go into effect for the superior courts January 1, 2003. The rules are part of the Judicial Council's program to create comprehensive ethics standards for court-connected alternative dispute resolution neutrals in California. Although they apply specifically to superior courts, the First Appellate District adopted the rules because it found them equally applicable to its mediation program.

The appellate court's mediation program began in July 1999 as a two-year pilot program, supervised by a task force appointed by Chief Justice

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Ronald M. George. The program was extended indefinitely on July 1, 2001, after the task force found that it reduced costs, time to resolution, and the adversary culture of litigation while increasing litigant satisfaction with the judicial process and dispositions without judicial intervention. (See story in the November–December 2001 *Court News*.) The First District Mediation Committee, chaired by Associate Justice Ignazio J. Ruvolo (Division Two), oversees the program.

● For more information, contact John Toker, mediation program administrator for the First Appellate District, 415-865-7373; e-mail: john.toker@jud.ca.gov.

## Access to Justice Award Nominations

Nominations for the Benjamin Aranda III Access to Justice Award are due by October 18.

Named for the late Judge Benjamin Aranda III, who was known for his promotion of access and fairness in the courts, this award annually honors a California trial judge or appellate justice whose activities demonstrate a long-term commitment to improving access to the courts for low- and moderate-income Californians. Sponsored by the Judicial Council, the State Bar, and the California Judges Association, the award was developed by the Bench-Bar Pro Bono Project, whose mission is to educate the bar and the judiciary about the causes of and remedies for lack of access to the courts.

The award recipient must have demonstrated one or more

of the following:

□ A commitment to increasing the involvement of volunteer attorneys in the representation of indigent persons;

□ Successful establishment of a model system for assisting self-represented litigants;

□ Successful establishment of a model project, in cooperation with local legal services programs or bar associations, to improve the representation available to low- and moderate-income litigants; or

□ Other significant activities evidencing a long-term commitment to improving the accessibility of our judicial system for all Californians, regardless of income.

Past recipients of the Benjamin Aranda III Access to Justice Award include Justice Judith McConnell, formerly a judge of the Superior Court of San Diego County (1999); Superior Court of Los Angeles County Judge Veronica McBeth (2000); Superior Court of Ventura County Judge Charles W. Campbell, Jr. (2001); and Superior Court of San Francisco County Judge Donna J. Hitchens (2002).

This year's award will be presented at the California Judicial Administration Conference, which takes place February 24–28, 2003.

● For more information on the Benjamin Aranda III Access to Justice Award, contact Chris Zupanovich, State Bar of California, 415-538-2534; e-mail: chris.zupanovich@calbar.ca.gov.

## Kids' Place Opens in L.A. Court

The Superior Court of Los Angeles County opened its first children's waiting room in August.

Kids' Place is a free supervised area at the Long Beach

courthouse where parents can leave their children while conducting business at the court. The room is stocked with toys, board games, video games, a computer, and music listening stations.

Each child who visits the waiting room leaves with a brand-new book, courtesy of For the Child's Book Buddy program. For the Child is a Long Beach-based nonprofit organization devoted to helping abused and neglected children. It was instrumental in securing a grant from the Los Angeles County Children and Families First–Proposition 10 Commission that will fund the waiting room's operations. For the Child will staff Kids' Place.

By early 2003 the county is expecting to open children's waiting rooms in its Airport, Compton, Stanley Mosk (downtown Los Angeles), Pomona, and Van Nuys courthouses. Long-range plans include putting children's waiting rooms in eight additional facilities.

● For more information, contact the Superior Court of Los Angeles County's Public Information Office, 213-974-5227.

## Chief Receives Rehnquist Award

Highlighting Chief Justice Ronald M. George's 30 years on the California bench, the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) honored him with the 2002 William H. Rehnquist Award for Judicial Excellence.

One of the nation's most prestigious judicial honors, the Rehnquist Award is presented annually to a state court judge who exemplifies the highest levels of judicial excellence, integrity, fairness, and professional ethics. The Honorable William H. Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States, will present the award to Chief Justice George.

"Chief Justice George's career is extraordinary not only because he has served at every level of the American state court

## Adoption Saturdays find home for 5,000th child



On July 27 a very happy two-year-old became the 5,000th child to be adopted into a permanent family through the Superior Court of Los Angeles County's Adoption Saturdays program. Pictured are the child with her new mother (center); Steven Meiers, attorney and co-founder of Adoption Saturdays (left), standing next to his daughter Rebecca Meiers, a law student who assisted her father in representing the family; and Presiding Judge Michael Nash of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County's Juvenile Court, co-founder of Adoption Saturdays.

Since the first Adoption Saturday in 1998, more than 5,000 foster children in Los Angeles County have been legally adopted through the program. The program has halved the time once required to initiate and complete adoption proceedings. Photo: Courtesy of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County

system but also because he has left his mark at every level, improving the justice system every step of the way," said Roger K. Warren, president of the NCSC, in a press release distributed by that organization. Mr. Warren said Chief Justice George stands out as a judicial leader not only for his achievements during his six years as Chief Justice of California but also for the judicial leadership and courage he consistently demonstrated for 24 years before that—15 years as a trial judge and 9 years as an appellate justice.

During his tenure as Chief  
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## Court honors volunteers



The Superior Court of Ventura County held a ceremony in the spring to thank and recognize its many volunteers. The honorees included temporary judges, mediators, arbitrators, self-help center advisors, and workers in the jury assembly room and children's waiting rooms. The court also honored the docents of the Ventura County Bar Association Court Tour Program, which is celebrating its 25th year of leading tours for students. Photo: Courtesy of the Superior Court of Ventura County

## Voter's Ballot Gives URLs for Bios

The Secretary of State will not print biographical information for justices on November's statewide ballot. However, the ballot will provide URLs for biographies that are available on the California Courts Web site. To see them, go to [www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/), click on "Courts of Appeal" at left, select the appropriate district, and then choose "Justices" at left.

● Justices wishing to update their biographies should contact Sherri Eng at the Administrative Office of the Courts, 415-865-7544; e-mail: [sherri.eng@jud.ca.gov](mailto:sherri.eng@jud.ca.gov).



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Justice, George has overseen some of the most significant initiatives and reforms in the history of the California courts, including the transition of the trial courts from county to state funding, the unification of the trial courts, a comprehensive program to increase the number of qualified court interpreters, and ongoing advances in the use of technology to improve court efficiency and access.

## Supreme Court Extends Time for Habeas Corpus Petitions

The California Supreme Court revised its policies to give death penalty counsel more time to file habeas corpus petitions.

The new rules state that a petition for writ of habeas corpus related to a case arising from a judgment of death will be “presumed to be filed without substantial delay if it is filed within 180 days after the final due date” for the filing of the appellant’s reply brief in the direct appeal. Formerly, filing the petition “without substantial delay” meant filing within 90 days of the due date for the filing of the appellant’s reply brief or within 24 months of the appointment of habeas corpus counsel, whichever was later. (No change was made in the 24-month period that runs from the date counsel is appointed.) The new policy applies to all death penalty-related habeas corpus

petitions that were pending before the court on July 17, 2002, or are filed with the court after that date.

The court adopted the change after reviewing suggestions made by attorneys in focus groups last fall. At the court’s request, the focus groups were led by Michael Laurence, Executive Director of the Habeas Corpus Resource Center; Lynne Coffin, State Public Defender; and Michael Millman, Executive Director of the California Appellate Project.

Court staff members will continue to meet regularly with the heads of these three agencies to discuss additional changes that may encourage additional qualified counsel to accept representation in direct appeal and related habeas corpus matters following a judgment of death. Counsel who wish to recommend ways to improve the process may contact any of these three agencies.

● To view Supreme Court policies and procedures, visit [www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/supreme/iopp.htm](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/supreme/iopp.htm). ■

## MILESTONES

California **Chief Justice Ronald M. George** was named president-elect of the Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ) at the group’s annual meeting in Maine in July. CCJ was founded in 1949 to provide a forum where the Chief Justices

## Register to Vote

The Elections Division of California’s Office of the Secretary of State is reminding California residents that October 21 is the last day to register to vote in the November 5 general gubernatorial election. To register to vote or for additional information, visit the Vote America Web site at



[www.voteamerica.ca.gov](http://www.voteamerica.ca.gov) or call 1-800-345-VOTE (345-8683).

Vote America is a national program that serves as a resource for voting information and civic involvement.

and Chief Judges of the highest courts in all the states and territories could confer on matters affecting the administration of justice in state courts.

The Chief’s election means that he also became chair-elect of the Board of Directors of the National Center for State Courts (NCSC). He will assume his new positions one year from now, when New York State Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye steps down.

Superior Court of Santa Clara County **Judge Leonard P. Edwards** in July became the first Californian to serve as president of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, taking office as the group’s 58th president during its recent annual meeting in Boston.

Founded in 1937 and based in Reno, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges is the nation’s oldest and largest judicial membership organization and develops national policy on juvenile and family law issues.

Judge Edwards, a member of the Judicial Council since 1999, served as the first chair of the council’s Advisory Committee on Family and Juvenile Law and was an active member of the committee from 1993 to 1999. He has received numerous awards recognizing his significant contributions to improving the administration of justice for children and families involved in court proceedings.

California Women Lawyers presented retired **Judge Jacqueline Taber** with its Rose Bird Memorial Award. Judge Taber, who spent 31 years on the Alameda County bench before retiring in 1996, still sits on assignment.

Judge Taber was recognized for her intellect, courage, compassion for courtroom participants, and dedication to the rule of law. Last year’s recipient, California Supreme Court Justice Joyce L. Kennard, presented the award at a reception in San Francisco on September 17. ■

## Great Minds Broadcast On Judicial Stress

**AOC-TV, Wednesday, October 16, 12:05–12:55 p.m.**

Dr. Isaiah Zimmerman, a nationally acclaimed expert on judicial stress, will:

- Identify common signs and causes of excessive stress;
- Discuss the potential damage from stress; and
- Present methods of reducing, minimizing, and managing stress.

Judge Alice C. Hill of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County will introduce the program, and Judge Randall Donald White of the Superior Court of Riverside County will moderate.

*Great Minds* is a new series that confronts contemporary issues of importance to judges. Produced by the Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) and the Continuing Judicial Studies Education Committee, this series invites all California judicial officers to explore complex interdisciplinary topics traditionally offered through limited-enrollment education programs.

● For more information, court staff members should contact their local CJER training coordinators.

**“The Bureau of Justice estimates that nearly 250,000 of those incarcerated in the nation’s prisons suffer from mental illness.”**

—Sarah Leca, “A Look at Co-Occurring Disorders and the Courts” (Winter/Spring 2002) Case in Point, a publication of the National Judicial College

## Satellite Broadcast on Mental Health Courts

**AOC-TV, Thursday, November 14, 12:15–2:45 p.m.**

The Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee and the Center for Judicial Education and Research are presenting a broadcast both for those with experience in mental health courts and for newcomers to the field.

The broadcast will:

- Show why mental health courts are effective and how they work;
- Identify resources to develop mental health courts; and
- Enhance viewers’ understanding of mental illness and the methods used to treat it.

The broadcast will include commentary from subject matter experts, a panel discussion, and a chance for viewers to ask questions. Confirmed panel members include Superior Court of Riverside County Judge Becky Dugan; Superior Court of Santa Clara County Judge Stephen V. Manley; and Superior Court of San Bernardino County Judge Patrick J. Morris.

● For more information, contact Lisa Lightman, Administrative Office of the Courts, 415-865-7614; [lisa.lightman@jud.ca.gov](mailto:lisa.lightman@jud.ca.gov).



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# Judicial Appointments

The Governor announced the following judicial appointments in July and August 2002.

## SUPERIOR COURTS

**Barry Baskin**, Superior Court of Contra Costa County, succeeding Maria P. Rivera, appointed to the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District.

**Hilary A. Chittick**, Superior Court of Fresno County, succeeding James L. Quaschnick, retired.

**Kelvin D. Filer**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County,

succeeding Richard Charvat, retired.

**Eugene S. Gini, Jr.**, Superior Court of Placer County, succeeding W. Jackson Willoughby, retired.

**Robert A. Glusman**, Superior Court of Butte County, filling a newly created position.

**Ronald W. Hansen**, Superior Court of Merced County, succeeding Michael S. Hider, retired.

**Teri L. Jackson**, Superior Court of San Francisco County, succeeding Stuart R.

Pollak, appointed to the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District.

**Mark A. Juhas**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding Harold E. Shabo, retired.

**Steven J. Kleifeld**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding James R. Simpson, retired.

**James P. Kleinberg**, Superior Court of Santa Clara County, succeeding Virginia Mae Days, retired.

**Leonard J. LaCasse**, Superior Court of Mendocino County, succeeding Conrad L. Cox, retired.

**Jo-Lynne Q. Lee**, Superior Court of Alameda County, succeeding Richard Alan Hodge, retired.

**Gary Nadler**, Superior Court of Sonoma County, filling

a newly created position.

**Jacqueline H. Nguyen**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding James Albracht, retired.

**Troy L. Nunley**, Superior Court of Sacramento County, succeeding Ronald B. Robie, appointed to the Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District.

**Charlaine E. Olmedo**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding Elvira S. Austin, retired.

**Wayne R. Parrish** (winner of March 5 election), Superior Court of Mariposa County, succeeding Carlos C. LaRoche, retired.

**Tammy Chung Ryu**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding Jerold A. Krieger, deceased.

**Steven P. Sanora**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding Paul Boland, appointed to the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District.

**Pamela Smith-Steward**, Superior Court of Sacramento County, succeeding Nancy Sweet, retired.

**Robert S. Tafoya**, Superior Court of Kern County, succeeding Coleen Ryan, deceased.

**Thomas R. White**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding Judith Meisels Ashmann-Gerst, appointed to the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District.

**John Shepard Wiley, Jr.**, Superior Court of Los Angeles County, succeeding John C. Gunn, retired. ■

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# Calendar

### CONFERENCES

OCT 9-10	2002 Judicial Branch HR Conference, Universal City
OCT 10-13	State Bar Annual Meeting, Monterey
OCT 11-13	California Judges Association Annual Meeting, Newport Beach
OCT 12-14	Superior Court Clerks' Association Annual Conference, Riverside
NOV 6-9	Genetics and the Courts Conference, North Lake Tahoe
NOV 14-15	Law-Related Education and California's Youth Conference, San Francisco
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